# "Exhibit 1"

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### 1 I. **RATES AND PROFESSIONALS** 2 The rates charged for this Interim Application correspond with the rates listed on the 3 Application to Retain: 4 19 Shareholders: \$220 - \$315 Two (2) Of Counsel: \$250 - \$290, 5 Three (3) Associates: \$190 - \$195 Four (4) Law Clerks rates: \$115 - 130 6 Five (5) Paralegals rates: \$110 - \$125. 7 Blended Rates: Attorneys \$251.28; Law Clerk \$117.72; Paralegals \$119.91. 8 9 II. OBJECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED 10 A. **CLERICAL ISSUES** 11 1. There are a total of 13.1 hours (\$3,292) spent on tasks, such as docket review and preparing hearing binder, that should have been delegated to a 12 paralegal and/or billed at paralegal rates. 13 B. **LUMPING** 14 1. There are approximately 200 obvious lumped hours billed (\$50,256) by 15 various attorneys. Paragraph time entries that are broken down by time spent, still contain lumped billing. 16 C. RESEARCH 17 18 1. A total of 63.1 hours (\$15,856) was spent on research regarding issues related to 11 U.S.C. § 365. No related motion, pleading, or argument is 19 evident from the docket. 20 D. INTERNAL CONFERENCES 21 Approximately 812.05 hours are attributable to intraoffice conferencing at 1. RON, resulting in a total expense of \$204,052 to the Debtors' estates. 22 23 F. SUMMARY OF FEE OBJECTIONS 24 Clerical Time 3,292.00 13.1 hours \$ 2. 25 Lumping 200 hours 50,256.00 3. Research 63.1 hours 15,856.00 26 4. Internal Conferences 812.05 hours \$204,052.00 **Total Fee Objections:** 27 \$273,456.00 28

III.	ODJ	ECIT	ONS TO EXPENSES BILLED	
	A.	<u>PAR</u>	ALEGAL SERVICES	
		1.	Expense item for "Paralegal Service" between May 4 and 26, 2006. At that time, 5 RQN in-house paralegals were assigned to the case.	\$ 3,750.50
	В.	<u>LEG</u>	SAL RESEARCH	
		1.	No backup documents, invoices, or actual bills	\$27,842.08
	C.	BUS	INESS MEALS	
		1.	Unable to differentiate from travel expenses that include meals in description	\$ 796.46
	D.	TRA	VEL EXPENSES	
		1.	Prepetition expenses; duplication of air fare; air fare for "Unknown" Travelers. Spreadsheet attached.	<u>\$ 18,906.87</u>
		Tota	l Expense Objections:	\$51,295.91
IV.	ADD	ITION	AL OBJECTIONS	
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	,		Respectfully submitted,	
			SARA L. KISTLER	
			ACTING UNITED STATES TRUS REGION 17	STEE
			By: /s/ August B. Landis	
			August B. Landis, Assistant Unit United States Department of Just	ted States Trustee tice
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# "Exhibit 2"

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### I. <u>VOLUNTARY RATE WRITEDOWN</u>

The United States Trustee notes that as a condition of their employment, Alvarez & Marisal reduced their standard hourly rate by 15%. The rate writedown resulted in a voluntary reduction from standard fees of \$29,300. The fees requested are net of that write down.

### II. OBJECTIONS TO PROFESSIONAL FEES BILLED

A. The employment retention agreement for Alvarez & Marisal reflects four tiers of personnel at varying hourly rates: Managing Directors (\$465 - 550); Directors (\$315 - 400); Senior Associates (\$255 - 310); and Associates/Analysts (\$145 - 245). The fee application (page 6, § 12) states that the firm delegated responsibility (where appropriate) to utilize the services of professionals billing at lower hourly rates. However, 92% of all hours billed were charged by senior staff, while only 5.95% of the hours billed were billed by associate level staff, and only 2.32% of the hours billed were billed at the lowest cost tier. Delegation to the lowest cost qualified personnel did not occur. A reduction of 3% of the total professional fees billed (\$4,980.93) is warranted.

### III. ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS

The United States Trustee expressly reserves the right to raise any additional and appropriate objections at the time of filing of any application for interim approval and allowance of fees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17

By: /s/ August B. Landis
August B. Landis, Assistant United States Trustee
United States Department of Justice

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7	UNITED STATES BANK	RUPTCY COURT
8	DISTRICT OF I	NEVADA
9	In re:	
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11	USA Commercial Mortgage Company 06-10725 Lead Case	Jointly Administered
12	USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC	Chapter 11 Cases
13	06-10726	Judge <b>Linda B. Riegle</b> Presiding
14	USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC 06-10727	Date: N/A
15	USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC	Time: N/A Place: N/A
	06-10728	
16	USA Securities, LLC	Affecting: All Cases
17	06-10729 Debtors	or Only: USA Commercial Mortgage Company
18		☐ USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC☐ USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund,
19		LLC
20		☐ USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC☐ USA Securities, LLC
21	THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE'S	OBJECTION TO THE INITIAL
22	MONTHLY STATEMENT OF BEC	CKLEY SINGLETON, CHTD.
23	In compliance with the provisions of the Cou	rt's Administrative Order Establishing
24	Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimburs	ement of Expenses of Professionals entered
25	August 29, 2006 [Docket No. 1202], the United Stat	es Trustee submits the following Notice of
26	Objection to the Initial Monthly Statement of Beckle	ey Singleton, Chtd.:
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1	I.	<b>OBJE</b>	CTION	NS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED		
2		A.	CALC	CULATION ERRORS - CASE ADMINISTRATION CA	TE	<u>GORY</u>
3 4			1.	Anne Loraditch - Billings total 3.4 hours; however, .7 hours of that time is marked "No Charge." Fees should be reduced using	Ф	150.02
5			_	her average rate.	\$	158.82
6 7			2.	Patricia Kois - Billings total 30.30 hours; however, 10.2 hours of that time is marked "No Charge." Fees should be reduced using her average rate.	\$	847.31
8		В.	<u>VAGU</u>	JE/INCOMPLETE/DUPLICATE ENTRIES		
9 10			1.	Bob Olson - Three vague entries in the Case Administration Category: "Review various e-mails in case," (.3 hours); "Review various e-mails and draft papers to be filed" (.3 hours); "Review various		
11 12				e-mails regarding status of case" (.4 hours). Fees should be adjusted using his hourly rate of \$350.	\$	350.00
13 14			2.	Brett Axelrod - In the Creditor/Equity Communications category, recorded an incomplete entry "Conference with Bob Cranley" with no detail for .2 hours. Fees should be adjusted using her hourly rate.	\$	73.00
15 16 17 18			3.	Michael Feder - In the Bankruptcy Litigation category, Entered an incomplete duplicate entry containing only the letter "M" for .3 hours. The following entry begins with the word "Meeting." Fees should be adjusted to delete the incomplete and duplicative entry using his hourly rate.	\$	90.00
19			Total 2	Attorney Fee Objections:		,519.13
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21				ates Trustee expressly reserves the right to raise any additio	nal	and
22		approp	riate ob	jections at the time of filing of any application for interim a ees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy	ppr	oval and
24				Respectfully submitted,		
25 26				SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17		
27 28				By: /s/ August B. Landis August B. Landis, Assistant United State United States Department of Justice	s T	rustee
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\$ 4,980.00

# 1 I. **OBJECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED** 2 A. SERVICES BILLED PRIOR TO COURT APPROVAL OF RETENTION 3 1. The order employing Mr. Huston as special counsel was entered July 21, 2006. Mr. Huston 4 was employed under general retainer, but not nunc pro tunc. A total of 16.6 hours billed were 5 for services rendered prior to court approval, and an attendant reduction in fees is necessary. 6 7 П. **ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS** 8 The United States Trustee expressly reserves the right to raise any additional and appropriate objections at the time of filing of any application for interim approval and 9 allowance of fees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. 10 11 Respectfully submitted, 12 SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17 13 14 By: /s/ August B. Landis August B. Landis, Assistant United States Trustee 15 United States Department of Justice 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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1	I.	<u>OBJ</u>	ECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED		
2		A.	Vague time entry, lumping of research time, drafting time, and office conference time	\$6,	646.50
4	II.	OBJI	ECTIONS TO EXPENSES BILLED		
5		A.	DELIVERY CHARGES		
6			1. In-house runner service to court charged \$90.00 for 5 trips billed on 7/17/06	\$	90.00
7		В.	LEGAL RESEARCH	Ψ	70.00
8 9			1. Westlaw charges for approximately 180 hours of research time billed by 3 associates, which also		
10			included some drafting and intraoffice conference time. Review of itemized Westlaw entries shows		
11			charges for days no research was billed, as well as charges that do not correspond to time entries on dates when research was billed.	\$31	,452.42
12	III.	ADD:	ITIONAL OBJECTIONS	·	,
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17 18			SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17		
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# II. OBJECTION TO FEES BILLED

The Forensic Loan Accounting category is about 50.7% of total time and about 46% of the total fees requested by Mesirow. The blended rate for this category is approximately \$368/hour. Based upon the time entries and task descriptions, it appears that there was a limited amount of overlapping (see Loan Portfolio, Forensic Loan Accounting, and Financial Analysis task descriptions), and that some of the tasks performed could have been performed by a lower level accountant. If 60% of the time expended had been billed by a lower level professional at \$200/hour, 30% performed by a more experienced professional at \$400/hour, and 10% by a senior professional at \$650/hour, the blended rate would be approximately \$305/hour. The difference would be \$260,000 with respect to the fees billed for this category. However, Mesirow's application indicates that they essentially had to reconstruct all of the loan ledgers (i.e., they could not rely on the debtors' records). Under the circumstances of this case, the use of higher level professionals to perform tasks, which on a prospective basis should be performed by lower level staff accountants/paraprofessionals/bookkeepers, is generally appropriate. However, a downward adjustment of 3% of the \$1,528,168 in total fees billed under the Forensic Loan Accounting category, or \$45,805.04, is warranted.

### III. ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS

The United States Trustee expressly reserves the right to challenge fees and expenses premised upon actual conflicts of interest attendant to representation of multiple debtors, and to raise any additional and appropriate objections at the time of filing of any application for interim approval and allowance of fees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

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Respectfully submitted,

SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17

By: <u>/s/ August B. Landis</u>
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### I. <u>VOLUNTARY WRITEDOWN</u>

The United States Trustee notes that \$15,000.00 in fees were voluntarily written down as duplicative, unnecessary, or unproductive, and that the fees requested are net of that write down.

### I. <u>OBJECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED</u>

### A. OF COUNSEL BILLING

1. Jeffrey Herman, Of Counsel, billed 244.10 hours at a rate of \$570.00 per hour (\$139,137). Related time entries are lumped, combining review and analysis time with correspondence; travel time with meeting time; conference call time with further review and analysis. Entries for email communications are generally vague, omitting party names, subject matter, or both. A 30% reduction of the total fee charged for Of Counsel time is warranted.

\$41,741.10

# II. ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS

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Respectfully submitted,

SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17

By: <u>/s/ August B. Landis</u>
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### I. **RATES** 1 The Application to Retain list hourly rates for Lenard Schawartzer only in the sum of 2 \$425.00. To the extent other attorneys provided services rendered, no rate has been 3 approved by the Court. 4 II. **OBJECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED** 5 Α. **CLERICAL ISSUES** 6 Mr. Schwartzer spent .20 hours rescheduling the IDI with Clarke Finneran and 1. spent .30 hours reviewing a news article (\$212.50 total). These tasks should 7 have delegated to a paralegal, and/or billed at a paralegal rate. 8 В. **LUMPING** 9 Mr. Schwartzer's invoices contain a total of 4.90 lumped hours at \$425 an hour 1. 10 (\$2,082.50).C. **CHARGES FOR NON-LEGAL SERVICES** 11 1. Entry by Mr. Schwartzer on June 15, 2006, "Assist in filing Schedules" for 2.10 12 hours at \$425 per hour (\$892.00). 13 D. **SUMMARY OF FEE OBJECTIONS** 14 1. Clerical Time .50 hours 212.50 2. 4.90 hours \$2,082.50 15 Lumping 3. 2.10 hours 892.00 Non-Legal Services 16 **Total Fee Objections:** \$3,187.00 17 III. **OBJECTIONS TO EXPENSES BILLED** 18 A. **DELIVERY CHARGES** 19 1. Billed at \$5.00 per run \$ 267.50 20 В. **CONFERENCE ROOM** 21 Billed without detail or related invoice 22 for verification \$1,198.00 C. 23 LEGAL RESEARCH 1. No backup documents, invoices, or actual bills 24 25 Westlaw \$1,452.42 a. **PACER** \$1,565.05 26 **Total Expense Objections:** \$4,482.97 27 28

# IV. ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS

The United States Trustee expressly reserves the right to challenge fees and expenses premised upon actual conflicts of interest attendant to representation of multiple debtors, and to raise any additional and appropriate objections at the time of filing of any application for interim approval and allowance of fees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17

By: <u>/s/ August B. Landis</u>
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25	August 29, 2006 [Docket No. 1202], the United State	es Trustee submits the following Notice of
26	Objection to the Initial Monthly Statement of Shea &	c Carlyon, Ltd.:
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1	I.	<u>OBJI</u>	ECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED	
2		<b>A.</b>	<u>CLERICAL ISSUES</u>	
3			1. Entry "Prepare binders for 08/04/06 ominbus hearing" for 1.6 hours on July 28, 2006 shows	
4			work performed by attorney Shlomo Sherman. This task should have been delegated to a	
5			paralegal and/or billed at paralegal rates. Related actual billings (\$304) should be reduced to	
6			paralegal rates for the same time (\$240), yielding a net reduction of \$64.	\$ 64.00
7 8			2. Entry by attorney Jim Shea on June 22, 2006 re: "Telephone call with Mr. Lea re substitute trustee" for .4 hours is inconsistent with case	Ф 170 00
9			posture no trustee has been appointed.	\$ 170.00
10			Total Fee Objections	\$ 234.00
11	II.	<u>OBJI</u>	ECTIONS TO EXPENSES BILLED	
12 13		A.	<u>DELIVERY CHARGES</u>	
14			1. In-house messenger service to charged \$7.50 per run for 6 runs	\$ 24.00
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AUGUST B. LANDIS, Assistant United States Trustee 1 State Bar # IA PK9228 augie.landis@usdoj.gov 2 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 3 Office of the United States Trustee 300 Las Vegas Boulevard, So., Suite 4300 4 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 Telephone: (702) 388-6600 Ext. 235 Facsimile: (702) 388-6658 5 Attorneys for the Acting United States Trustee 6 SARA L. KISTLER 7 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 8 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 9 In re: 10 **USA Commercial Mortgage Company** 06-10725 -- Lead Case 11 Jointly Administered Chapter 11 Cases 12 **USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC** Judge Linda B. Riegle Presiding 06-10726 13 USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC Date: N/A 14 06-10727 Time: N/A Place: N/A USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC 15 06-10728 16 Affecting: **USA Securities, LLC** All Cases 17 06-10729 **Debtors** or Only: USA Commercial Mortgage Company 18 USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, 19 USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC 20 □ USA Securities, LLC THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE'S OBJECTION TO THE INITIAL 21 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF STUTMAN, TRIESTER & GLATT, P.C. 22 23 In compliance with the provisions of the Court's Administrative Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals entered 24 25 August 29, 2006 [Docket No. 1202], the United States Trustee submits the following Notice of 26 Objection to the Initial Monthly Statement of Stutman, Triester & Glatt, P.C.: 27 28

### 1 I. **VOLUNTARY WRITEDOWN** 2 The United States Trustee notes that \$128,871.50 in fees were voluntarily written down, 3 and that the fees requested are net of that write down. 4 II. OBJECTIONS TO ATTORNEY FEES BILLED 5 A. **CLERICAL ISSUES** 6 There are a total of 21.4 hours spent on tasks ("updating pleadings binder," "revising contact list," "updating calendar," "revise file list," "filing pleadings," "preparing certificate of service", etc.) which were billed by attorneys, including a shareholder, which 1. 7 8 should have been delegated to a paralegal and/or billed at paralegal rates. Related actual billings 9 10 (\$7,792) should be reduced to paralegal rates for the same time (\$3,842), yielding a net reduction of 11 \$3,940. 3,940.00 В. 12 **NON-COMPENSABLE / DUPLICATE ENTRIES** 13 1. An associate billed .1 hour for coordinating 14 ECF training. Training time is not compensable. \$ 35.00 15 2. Reduction for duplicate time entry 100.00 16 **Total Fee Objections:** 4,075.00 17 III. 18 **OBJECTIONS TO EXPENSES BILLED** 19 Airport Transortation - Insufficient itemization and Α. verification 681.20 20 В. Document processing - Insufficient description, given 21 scope of Copy Production expense claim 456.17 C. 22 Parking Validation Expense - Insufficient detail 48.00 23 D. In-house photocopying - Insufficient detail \$19,910.50 24 **Total Expense Objections:** \$21,095.87 25 26 27

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# IV. <u>ADDITIONAL OBJECTIONS</u>

The United States Trustee expressly reserves the right to raise any additional and appropriate objections at the time of filing of any application for interim approval and allowance of fees and expenses pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA L. KISTLER ACTING UNITED STATES TRUSTEE REGION 17

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# "Exhibit 3"

# United States Trustee Objection Analysis

<u>Professional</u>	Hours	Fees Requested	Blended Rate	UST Objection	% Objection Dollars
Ray Quinney & Nebeker	3,919.87	\$937,187.54	\$239.09	\$273,456.00	29.18%
Orrick Harrington & Sutcliffe	929.80	\$467,794.50	\$503.11	\$41,741.10	8.92%
Alvarez & Marisal	435.10	\$166,030.93	\$381.59	\$4,980.93	3.00%
Lewis and Roca	709.80	\$227,901.25	\$321.08	\$6,646.50	2.92%
Beckley Singleton	298.00	\$74,332.00	\$249.44	\$1,519.13	2.04%
Mesirow Financial	7,632.10	\$3,084,227.00	\$404.11	\$45,805.04	1.49%
Schwarzter & McPherson	807.70	\$265,016.00	\$328.11	\$3,187.00	1.20%
Stutman Treister & Glatt	1,358.50	\$563,338.50	\$414.68	\$4,075.00	0.72%
Shea & Carlyon	634.75	\$165,122.75	\$260.14	\$234.00	0.14%
Gordon & Silver	662.90	\$257.736.00	\$388.80	\$0.00	0.00%